

Ryder-Wood House
16 Jefferson Street
Portsmouth
Rockingham County
New Hampshire

HABS No. NH-103

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PHOTOGRAPHS

WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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Washington, D.C. 20240

ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE New Hampshire		COUNTY Rockingham	TOWN OR VICINITY Portsmouth
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Ryder-Wood House			HABS NO. NH-103
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE			
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 16 Jefferson Street			
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) c. 1740		ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Dr. Thomas Parker	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Dates back to early-mid eighteenth century.			
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)			
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS)			
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE)			
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE			
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Of particular interest is the attic stairway, which branches just above the second floor into two diverging runs, seemingly unsupported from below.			
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES The shed to the west, once used as a shop, was added around 1820-30, and the one to the south, now divided into two rooms was added later, possibly around 1840.			
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE			
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE			
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) <u>Strawbery Banke in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, Strawberry Banke, Inc., 1966.</u>			
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